

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

CO, 66th CIC Group, USAG UR, APO 154, US Army
Attn: Mr. W.L. Parkinson, CS Office

16 Feb 54

T.C. Lughes, OCA

Former Gestapo, SD and SS Personnel employed by the RV.

Reference is made to my memo of 10 Dec 1954, File BV-2069,
Subj: Request for Information re RV "Freie Mitarbeiter", and to subsequent
correspondence on this subject.

Attached, hereto, are two copies of a brief of information
on the following listed RV "Freie Mitarbeiter" which has been prepared
by BIOG and passed to O for information:

FEHLING, August
HANNIG, Bernhard
HEIN, Oskar
PRECKEL, Erich
STRUZBING, Johannes.

It is hoped that results of Central Registry checks on the foregoing,
as requested in the referenced memo of 10 Dec, can be provided this office
without further delay.

1 incl n/s (2 cys)

COORDINATED WITH

Army

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCES METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2001 2006

C
Penl
4-2 spec1

16 Feb 54

Subject: BrV Freie Mitarbeiter.

I. Johannes STRUEBING.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

- (1) NSDAP: 1st February 1940
 Allg.SS: 1st February 1937 (SS O'stuf 1 September 1942)
 Allg.SS Unit: RSHA.
 Joined police: 6th April 1927.
 Gestapo: since 1st February 1937.
 Rank: Krim. Kommissar-Stapoleitstelle BERLIN.

(11) SHAEF cards give the following information:-

RSHA A-4 IV E 3: 1943
 Abt. IV A 2 of RSHA BERLIN: June 1943
 Abt. IV A 2b of RSHA BERLIN: June 1944. Concerned with the search for Russian parachute agents.

- (111) Heinz PATZE, a Gestapo Krim. Assistant in RSHA IV 2A in June/July 1944 alleged under interrogation by an Allied Official in May 1945 that "STRUEBING took a leading part in the winding up of several terror and sabotage organisations and is known for his brutal way of interrogation". PATZE further alleged that STRUEBING "did most of the work in connection with the arrests after the attempt to assassinate HITLER".

II. Erich FRECKEL.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

NSDAP: 1st May 1933.
 SS: 1933-1934,
 and 1937-1945 (SS Stuf 9 Nov. 1943)
 SSUnits: 1933-1934: SS Pioneer Sturmabn WUPPERTAL.
 1937: RSHA.
 Kripo: since 15th February 1932.
 Gestapo: since 1st April 1935.
 Until 15th August 1940: Stapostelle KIEL.
 15th August 1940: Stapoleitstelle, DUESSELDORF.
 August (September?) 1939 - August 1940: Detailed to Sipo WARSAW.
 Rank: Kriminalrat.

III. August FESLING.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

- (1) NSDAP: 28th April 1933
 SA: 17th February 1933
 Rank: Truppfuehrer
 Units: May - July 1934 : Chef Ausbildungswesen.
 January - March 1935: SA Fuehrerschule WESEL
 Up to 15 March 1936: Stabswache Gruppe NIEDERRHEIN.
 15 March 1936 - 2 March 1938: Standarte Feldherrnhalle,
 Gestapo: since 2nd March 1938 (served full-time in the latter
 Allg.SS: applicant 1933

Confidential

2.

From 1940: SS Oberscharführer.
1938-1942: served in the Grenzpolizei on the Czech-Hungarian-Yugoslav frontier.
1942-1945: at Gestapo Leitstelle DUESSELDORF.
Kriminal Assistent.

IV. Bernhard HANFIO.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

NSDAP: 1st April 1933
Allg. SS: 1 June 1933 (Hptstuf 30 January 1942)
Allg. SS Unit: Sturm 8/45.
1 Reserve/12 (in 1938)
SD, RSHA.
Kriminal Kommissar of Kripoleitstelle HANNOVER.

V. Oskar HEIN.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

(1) NSDAP: 1st May 1933
SS applicant: 1st July 1933 (Hptstuf 1 September 1942)
Allg. SS Unit: RSHA
Gestapo: since 1935.

(11) The following additional details are based on an interrogation report of HEIN by an Allied Official:-

1937: Stapoleitstelle HAMBURG Abt. III (industrial security)
1938: Stapo KOBLENZ
1938: " KIEL
1939: " LITZMANNSTADT
1940: " SCHWERIN
1940 - (Aug): RSHA Amt IV (Artenauswertungsstelle Frankreich
1941 (June) Stapo SCHWERIN and Balkan)
(October 1944: RSHA Amt IV (Spanish desk)
(- April 1945
Last Rank: Kriminalrat

A German demerification court sentenced HEIN to 3 years' imprisonment in 1947. He was released in 1948.

BEST AVAILABLE COPY